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Freedom of Information Act - [5 U.S.C. 552(b)]

B-1 National security classified information [(b)(1) of the FOIA]

B-2 Release would disclose internal personnel rules and practices of an agency [(b)(2) of the FOIA]

B-3 Release would violate a Federal statute [(b)(3) of the FOIA]

B-4 Release would disclose trade secrets or confidential or financial information [(b)(4) of the FOIA]

B-6 Release would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy [(b)(6) of the FOIA]

B-7 Release would disclose information compiled for law enforcement purposes [(b)(7) of the FOIA]

B-8 Release would disclose information concerning the regulation of financial institutions [(b)(8) of the FOIA]

B-9 Release would disclose geological or geophysical information concerning wells [(b)(9) of the FOIA]

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### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 13, 1983

## APPOINTMENT PROCESS PERSONAL INTERVIEW RECORD

DATE OF INTERVIEW: May 27, 1983 (in person)

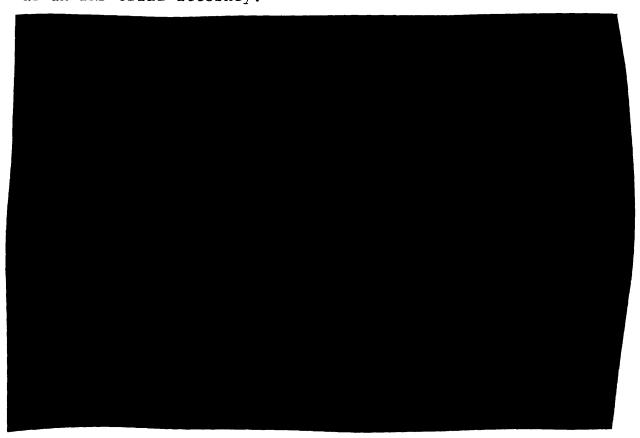
CANDIDATE: James E. Merritt

POSITION: Chief Counsel, Internal Revenue Service

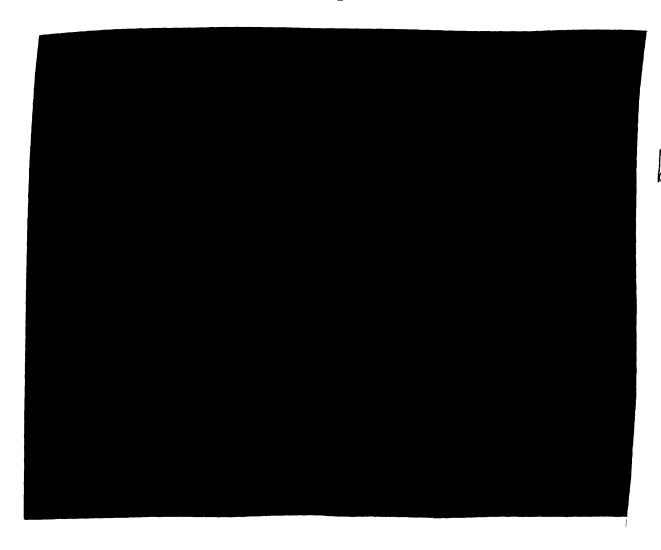
INTERVIEWER: John G. Roberts

## Comments

I have reviewed the Personal Data Statement and SF-278 submitted by James E. Merritt, who is being considered for nomination to be Assistant General Counsel at the Treasury and Chief Counsel for the Internal Revenue Service. The President is authorized to appoint an individual to this position pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 301(f)(2). Mr. Merritt (or rather his professional corporation) is currently a partner in the local office of Morrison & Foerster. He is a well-respected and accomplished tax lawyer who has been prominent in bar association tax activities and has published numerous articles on tax; subjects. He also served from 1964 to 1968 as an IRS trial attorney.



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#### THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

June 14, 1983

MEMORANDUM FOR FRED F. FIELDING

FROM:

JOHN G. ROBERTS

SUBJECT:

Blair House

You asked that I check the employment status of butler at Blair House. I did so through the Legal Adviser's Office at the State Department. Gene Malmborg of that office advised me that was one of a number of Blair House workers who were hired intermittently on an as needed basis. Until recently, these workers were considered by State to be independent contractors. After a review of the situation in conjunction with the IRS, however, it was determined that these individuals -- including should be considered State Department employees and not independent contractors. State thereupon advised them that they would no longer be hired as before, but that State would obtain their services through caterers. Now State simply advises the particular caterer for an event when it needs a butler, for example, and the caterer will provide one. Whether the caterer would hire is up to the caterer.

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